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SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" Are the Government satisfied that all aided school managements are paying dearness allowance to the teachers at Government rates? "

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—" No, Sir. Dearness allowance at Government rate is not paid in 40 aided schools, 38 boys' schools and 2 girls' schools."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" Will the Government consider the desirability of making an extra grant in addition to the special grant to managements which are not able to give dearness allowance at Government rates even after the receipt of the special grant? "

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—" The question shall be examined."

Procurement and distribution of manures to ryots.

* 199 *Q.*—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) what quantity of groundnut cake, chemical fertilizers and green-manure seeds were distributed in exchange for paddy bonus coupons and sold to ryots without coupons;

(*b*) the quantities of groundnut cake, chemical fertilizers and green-manure seeds procured for distribution and the cost to Government on account of the same;

(*c*) the quantities of chemical fertilizers received out of the pool and locally purchased and the rates of purchase and sale of these manures; and

(*d*) what the sources of supply of chemical manures are?

THE HON. SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—" (*a*) to (*c*) A statement[a] is placed on the table of the House.

" (*d*) The Government of India are allotting chemical fertilizers to all provinces from the Central Pool. Allocations for India are made by the International Emergency Food Council, Washington. The consignments are from places like Belgium, Canada and the United Kingdom. Locally, sulphate of ammonia is obtained from Messrs. The Fertilizers and Chemicals, Travancore, Limited, Alwaye."

Encouragements for the growth of foodgrains in the Province.

* 200 *Q.*—SRI P. VEERABHADRASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government propose to put restrictions on tobacco, jute and sugarcane crops to see that more foodgrains are grown in the Province; and

(*b*) whether there is any proposal to increase the prices of foodgrains for the purpose of encouraging more production of foodgrains or reduce the price of commercial crops for discouraging production of tobacco and jute?

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[a] Printed as Appendix II on pages 962–963 infra.